Correspondence Item No. 2a Alternative Setback Determination PA2012-015

Sims, Kay

Karl Drews [karl.drews@sbcglobal.net] From: Thursday, March 29, 2012 7:03 AM Sent: To: Sims, Kay Cc: elmer drews Subject: 21 1 Orchid Follow Up Flag: Follow up Flag Status: Flagged Dear Kay, It was a pleasure meeting you Tuesday, 3/20/12, at the applicant's site. I am representing my parents, Elmer and Elizabeth Drews, vho are the owners of the 3516 Ocean Blvd. property. As you heard from the adjacent neighbors on Orchid, who are concerned about how the proposed Alternative Setback \vould impact their properties, my parents are concerned about the proposed rear yard setback and how that would impact their property. I would like to remind you how imposing a t\\'o story structure at the 4' setback is when we stood in the alley by the Valente residence. A two story structure at a 4' setback would have negative impacts to the natural sunlight, air quality and quiet enjoyment of the backyard space. My parents understand that this is an unusual situation and the front neighbor has a 4' setback but when the lot was split the 21 1 Orchid property had a 10' setback on their corrunon property line. That setback should be preserved because it is an ordinance. The FAR ratio is a guideline and should not dictate setback dimensions. We have seen the revised site plan the applicant has submitted and disapprove the proposed 4' and 7' setbacks that are depicted. Sincerely, Karl Drews